THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (DR. DEBI-PROSAD PAL): (a) to (d) The information is being and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Proposal for expansion and upgradation of LPT/HPT in Orissa

1165. SHRI RAHASBIHARI BARIK: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the proposals received from Orissa during the Eighth Five Year Plan, year-wise for opening and also for expansion and upgradation of LPT and HPT in that State;

(b) the details of the proposals cleared so far; and

(c) the steps taken to clear remaining proposals?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI P. M. SAYEED): (a) The Government of Orissa, in April, 1992, had proposed setting up of 32 additional LPTs and upgradation of the transmitters at Baleshwar and Rourkela during the 8th Plan.

(b) Transmitters have already been commissioned at 15 locations proposed by the State Government and seven more projects, including upgradation of power of the transmitter at Baleshwar, are presently under implementation.

(c) Further augmentation of TV service in the State, including upgradation of power of the existing transmitter at Rourkela, would depend upon the availability of resources and infrastructural facilities.

Repatriation of value of exports

1166. SHRI MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:
SHRI TRILOKINATH CHATURVEDI:

Wiil the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the exporters have delayed or altogether avoided the repatriation of alue of exports; if so, the estimated amount involved therein in 1993-94, 1994-95 and so far in 1995-96; and

(b) what steps have been taken to ensure the repatriation of export proceeds?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M. V. CHANDRASHEKHAR MURTHY): (a) The export outstandings as per Reserve Bank of India figures as on June/ December 1993, June/December 1994 and June 1995 are indicated below:— (Rs. in crores)

Period	Amount of exports outstandings
June 1993	2442.57
December 1993	2984.91
June 1994	3641.30
December 1994	4492.96
June 1995	5168.64

(b) The cases of outstanding export proceeds referred to by the Reserve Bank of India to the Enforcement Directorate for necessary action are investigated for appropriate action under the provisions of Foreign Exchange Regulation Act, 1973.

Requirement of Power

1167. SHRI PARMESHWAR KUMAR AGARWALLA:
SHRI VAYALAR RAVI:
SHRI IQBAL SINGH:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the details'of requirement of power In the country during peak/slack seasons, State-wise;

(b) the quantum of power being generated/actually distributed against the above requirement, State-wise;

(c) the quantum of shortage and in what manner it is going to be met and by when; and

(d) whether inadequatdrreguarl quality/quantity of coal supplied to power stations is one of the causes of this shortage, if so, what remedial action is being taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI URMILABEN CHIMANBHAI PATEL): (a) to (c) State-wise power supply position during peak/slack seasons is^iven in statement *(see* below). Various meaurcs being taken to improve the availability of power in the country include expediting commissioning of new generating capacity, implementation of short gestation projects, improving the performance of existing power stations, reduction in transmission and distribution losses, implementation of better demand management and energy conservation measures, transfer of energy from surplus to deficit areas etc.

(d) The position of coal supply to all the thermal power stations in the country is kept under constant review at various forums including at a regular high level intcr-departmental meeting and remedial actions are taken from time to time to augment its supply and availability to power stations so that shortages of power arising on that account are minimised.

Statement

SkiU'-wisc Power Supply Position During Peak unci Slack Season Period—1995-96

(Figures in MU net)

Name of the State	JANUARV96 Peak condition				SEPTMBER'95 Slack condition			
	Requirement	Availability	Shortage	(%)	Requirement	Availability	Shortage	(%)
Chandigarh	72	71	1	1.4	69	68	1	1.4
Delhi	1100	1071	29	2.6	1110	1099	11	1.0
Haryana	1075	991	84	7.8	990	981	9	0.9
Himachal Pradesh	216	216	0	0	176	176	0	0
J&K	440	308	132	30.0	325	262	63	19.4
Punjab	1425	1390	35	2.5	1790	1771	19	1.1
Rajasthan	1860	1770	9	4.8	1420	1405	15	1.1
Uttar Pradesh	3350	2941	409	12.2	2770	2529	241	8.7
Northern Region	9538	8758	*79*	8.2	8650	8291	359	4.2
Gujarat	3240	2973	261	8.2	2900	2749	151	5.2
Madhya Pradesh	2950	2681	265	9.1	2230	2032	198	8.9
Maharashtra	5075	4940	13	2.7	4340	4246	94	2.2
Goa	104	104	0	0	92	92	0	0
Western Region	11369	10698	671	5.9	9562	9119	443	4.6
Andhra Pradesh	3550	2680	870	24.5	2840	2480	360	12.3
Karnataka	2265	1569	696	30.7	1950	1635	315	16.2
Kerala	965	763	202	20.9	860	790	70	8.2
Tamil Nadu	2865	2473	392	13.7	2860	2488	372	13.0
Southern Region	9645	7485	2160	22.4	8510	7393	1117	13.1

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Bihar	850	606	244	28.7	770	530	240	31.2
Dvc	695	685	10	1.4	710	700	10	1.4
Orissa	920	910	10	1.1	840	816	24	2.9
West Bengal	1200	1171	29	2.4	1280	1212	68	5.3
Eastern Region	3665	3372	293	8.0	3600	3258	342	9.5
Arunachal Pradesh	13.4	8.6	4.8	35.8	13.1	8.4	4.7	35.9'
Assam	230.9	223.0	7.9	3.4	240.8	225.4	15.4	6.4
Manipur	39	38.6	0.4	1.0	27.6	26.2	1.4	5.1
Meghalaya	39.1	39.1	0	0	30	30	0	0
Mizoram	16.0	16.0	0	0	13.1	11.1	2.0	15.3
Nagaland	16.2	16.2	0	0	13.4	11.1	2.3	17.2
Tripura	34.4	32.5	1.9	5.5	35.0	26.8	8.2	23.4-
North Eastern Region	389.0	374.0	15	3.9	373	339	34.0	9.1
All India	34606	30687	3919	11.3	30695	28400	2295	7.5

हस्तशिल्पियों की दयनीय स्थिति

1168. **चौधरी हरमोहन सिंह :** क्या वस्त्र मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगें कि:

(क) क्या सरकार को देश में हस्तशिल्पियों की दयनीय स्थिति की जानकारी हैं;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या उनकी दशा सुधारने हेतु सरकार द्वारा कोई कार्य योजना चलाई गई हैं अथवा बनाए जाने का विचार हैं;

(ग)यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या हैं;

(घ) क्या सरकार देश में भारतीय संस्कृतिक से सम्बन्धित हस्तशिल्प कला को बढ़ावा देने हेतु हस्तशिल्पियों को कम ब्याज पर ऋण उपलब्ध कराती हैं; और

(ड.) यदि हां, तो पिछले तीन वर्षो के दौरान इससे कितने लोग लाभान्वित हुए हैं?

श्रम मंत्री और वस्त्र मंत्री (श्री जी. वेंकट स्वामी) : (क) से (ग) जी हां, देश में कारीगरों को बेहतर सामाजिक-आर्थिक जीवन प्रदान करने के लिए सरकार, विभिन्न राज्य हस्तशिल्प निगमोंशीर्ष समितियों स्वैच्छिक संगठनों के माध्यम से प्रशिक्षण, प्रर्दशनी तथा प्रचार, विपणन विकास सहायता, डिजाइन विकास, बर्कशेड-सह-आवास, स्वास्थ्य बीमा, दरिद्रावस्था में सिद्वहस्त शिल्पियों को पेंशन आदि जैसी अनेकों विकासात्मक, संवर्धनात्मक तथा कल्याणकारी योजनाएं कार्यान्वित करती हैं।

(घ) सरकार, हस्तशिल्प कारीगरों को उनके उत्पादों में वृद्वि करने हेतु ब्याज की उचित रियायती दरों पर, राष्ट्रीयकृत बैंकों, नाबार्ड, सिडबी, आई डी बी आई तथा अन्य सरकारी बैंकों के माध्यम से ऋण सुविधा उपलब्ध कराती हैं।

(ड.) फिलहाल, इन वित्तीय संस्थानों द्वारा हस्तशिल्प कारीगरों को मुहैया करवाए गए ऋण के अलग से आंकड़े नहीं रखे गए हैं। तथापि, अब अनुदेश जारी कर दिए गए हैं कि कारीगरों को प्रदान की गई ऋण सुविधाओं के आंकड़े रखे जाएं।

Steps to Check Violence and Pornography on electronic Media

1169. SHRI K.R. MALKANI: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the steps taken by USA, Germany, China and some other countries to check violence and pornography on the electronic media (vide the International Herald Tribune, Hong Kong, 29-12-95), (IHT, 2-1-1996 etc.); and

(b) whether Government are contemplating any steps in that direction and if so, the details thereof?